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




- ☐ 1. Parking trackage for trains of the Berlin elevated railroad system will be considerably enlarged and improved at Berlin-Lichtenberg. Parking facilities for 80 elevated trains, i.e. about 50 percent of the entire rolling stock available to the Berlin elevated train system, are to be established there. Railroad car maintenance and indoor parking facilities will also be built. Construction work was started in mid-April 1954.¹ 25X1
2. In early May, work on the fourth connecting curve near Hennigsdorf in the northwestern section of the Berlin Outer Freight Ring was started.²
3. In early May, source learned that construction work in the Brieselang-Wustermark section was concentrated on the point of crossing near Wustermark which required many connecting curves. No completion dates have been fixed so far.³
- ☐ 4. By 20 May, excavation and bridge construction work for the new railroad construction project near Strausberg was completed. The completion of the project was delayed by a shortage of rails and ties.⁴ 25X1
5. For the autobahn bridge near Frankfurt/Oder, the railroad bridge over the Oder River near Zauckerick and the road bridge near Schwedt/Niederkräenig the Poles demand a minimum height of 5.5 meters above the stream at high water and a minimum clearance width of 60 meters. The bridges mentioned have been given the highest priority by the Poles and Germans alike.⁵
- ☐ 6. In early May, source observed that construction work on the railroad viaduct over the Neisse River was making only slow progress. On 6 May, no more than about 12 workers were seen on the construction site.⁶ 25X1
1. ☐ Comment. Information on the enlargement of the Berlin-Lichtenberg railroad station was transmitted previously. The information that new parking facilities for trains of the Berlin interurban railroad system were being built there was received for the first time. 25X1

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2.  Comment. Information on the progress of construction work on the Nordwest-Ring Berlin was transmitted previously.
3.  Comment. It was previously reported that construction work on the Frieselang-Wustermark line section was to be completed in 1955. The pertinent work is connected with the Nordwest-Ring Berlin project.
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4.  Comment. This railroad construction project which is referred to by the code designation "Aktion oestlich Berlin" has been undertaken by order of the East German Ministry of the Interior for the KVP.
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5.  Comment. The rapid reconstruction of the destroyed bridges over the Oder and Neisse Rivers has been ordered by the Soviets, doubtless for military reasons. Information on the progress of reconstruction work is transmitted continuously.
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6.  Comment. The railroad viaduct near Goerlitz was scheduled to be completed in late March 1954. The slow tempo of reconstruction work as reported by source is surprising in view of the great importance of the viaduct which would establish a new major East-West rail route between Breslau and Dresden.



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